

DISCLOSURE DIVISION

☐ WAIVER REQUEST
☐ ANSWER
☒ RECONSIDERATION REQUEST
☐ UNTIMELY

DATE: 9/18/2020

DOCKET #: 2020-023

Ashley Wimberley, Director
Disclosure Division



FILER INFORMATION

Name: Ms. Stefanie Ashford
Address: 16521 Chadsford Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70817
Office/Position: Laurel Oaks Charter School
Dates of Service: 2015-2019
Number of Disclosures and/or Amendments Filed with Agency: 5

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 3 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2018
Report ID: PFD19011187
Original Due Date: 5/15/2019
NOD Received: 7/15/2019 - Myers (Unable to Determine)
PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD: 7/24/2019
PFD/Answer Filed: 11/25/2019

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$400
Days late from receipt of NOD: 124
Total days late from initial due date: 194
Late Fee Order Received: 10/28/2019
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 11/18/2019
Waiver Request Received: 11/25/2019
Board Result: 3/2/2020
Reconsideration Request Due Date: 10/15/2020
Reconsideration Request Received: 8/16/2020

COMMENTS:

Stephanie Ashford is asking the Ethics Board to reconsideration waiving the \$400 suspended portion of her late fee assessment. Ms. Ashford stated she's a divorcee, currently unemployed, and a mother of three girls. She does not receive any financial assistance or child support from her ex-husband and she currently only receives \$428 a month of unemployment benefits. Mrs. Ashford currently does not have enough money to cover her basic necessities for her family, so she doesn't have the extra funds to pay the \$400 suspended fine. She stated since the Covid-19 Pandemic started, it has been very hard trying to maintain peace of mind, stay focus, and provide for her family. She humbly asks the Ethics Board members to waive the suspended portion of her fine as the \$400 would only become another financial burden she will worry about. Ms. Ashford thanks the Board for their consideration. This is Ms. Ashford's first late fee and late filing.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Disclosure Statements:

- Other Outstanding Statements: No
- Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No
- Reassessed Late Fees: No

Campaign Finance:

- Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No

Stefanie Ashford
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iamstefanie@icloud.com

RE: In the Matter of Stefanie Ashford

August 18, 2020

Greetings Ashley Wimberley,

This letter is a waiver request for the fee in the amount of \$400 due to my current financial situation. I'm a divorced unemployed mother of 3 girls. I don't receive any financial assistance from my previous husband nor child support. I don't have the means to make ends meet right now. My current income is \$428 per month based on unemployment benefits. I don't have enough money to cover my necessities for my family's livelihood. Due to the unexpected transitions, struggles, and everyday stress of the COVID19 pandemic, I'm trying to maintain a peace of mind to stay focused on opportunities to provide for my family during this time.

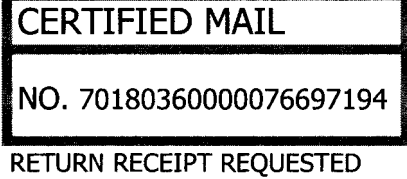
I humbly request that fee of \$400 is waived due to my current financial circumstances. I pray that we can come to this agreement so that I will not have to worry about another financial obligation that's impossible for me to meet at this time being I'm not in a position financially to pay this fine amount.

Thanks for your consideration and taking the time to read my plea. I hope that I will have favor with you due to my extenuating circumstances. Thanks for your diligent service.

Warm Regards,
Stefanie Ashford



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July 8, 2019

Stefanie Ashford
440 N. Foster Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

RE: NOTICE OF DELINQUENCY - FAILURE TO FILE
Statement covering 2018

Dear Ms. Ashford:

Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:1124.4, if a person fails to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement as required by 42:1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1, or 1124.3; omits information; or files inaccurately, a Notice of Delinquency shall be issued. A review of our records indicates that we have not received your Personal Financial Disclosure Statement.

You have 7 business days from the date of receipt of this Notice to file your Tier 3 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement covering 2018, or to submit an Answer explaining why you feel you are not required to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. Failure to file a Personal Financial Disclosure Statement or an Answer within the 7 business days will subject you to an automatic late fee of \$50 per day up to a maximum of \$1,500. Proof of timely filing is determined by the U.S. Postal Service postmark; receipt from the U.S. Postal Service; or receipt from a commercial delivery service.

The form for the Tier 3 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement (Form 418a) is available on the Louisiana Board of Ethics website at www.ethics.la.gov. If you have any questions, you may contact me at 225/219-5600 or 800/842-6630.

Sincerely,

Blair Perkins
Compliance Officer

NOTD Rec. 7/15/2019

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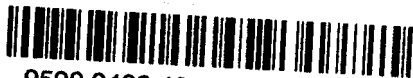
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1. Article Addressed to:

Stefanie Ashford
440 N. Foster Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70806



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